

# ABOUT US

Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) provides intergenerational basic needs and financial assistance, self-sufficiency coaching, and affordable, high-quality early learning.

While we are a secular organization, we were founded in 1939 through the efforts of nine local churches and the Bloomington Council of Church Women as the first early learning center in Bloomington.

Today, our focus is on stabilizing families in the short-term and helping them build self-sufficiency.



# JOIN OUR EFFORTS

If you would like to help us break the cycle of poverty in Monroe County, please consider volunteering or donating.

We accept:

- Financial gifts
- Non-perishable, non-bulk food items
- Cleaning & hygiene supplies
- In-kind gifts to our program

For volunteer opportunities, please visit [mcum.org/volunteer](http://mcum.org/volunteer)



Scan code to visit our donation page.

# AFFILIATIONS



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“For the first time in my life, I feel like I have control over the direction my life is going.”

- Nicole, Your Path Participant

# OUR VISION

To eliminate generational poverty for the people we serve.

# OUR APPROACH

Our intergenerational programs help families navigate the unique barriers to their stability. Combined, our Self-Sufficiency Center and Compass Early Learning Center build stability, empower self-sufficiency, and create long-term security.

Our goal is to enable families to meet their basic needs while helping caregivers build emergency savings and obtain assets and supporting age-appropriate development for their young child(ren).

# OUTCOMES

- Family can access basic needs
- Child leaves ready for kindergarten
- Increased social capital
- Caregiver has built savings
- Caregiver is working toward obtaining an asset



## Compass Early Learning Center

Compass is a licensed, accredited early learning center that can serve up to 94 children between the ages of 1-5 years old. We offer income-based tuition on a sliding scale in addition to accepting state and federal vouchers.

Visit [mcum.org/compass](http://mcum.org/compass) for information & to register.

## The Self-Sufficiency Center

The Self-Sufficiency Center houses our basic needs services as well as economic mobility mentoring through our Your Path program.

### Services Include:

- 1-on-1 coaching
- Client-choice pantry
- Cleaning & hygiene items
- Clothing vouchers
- Rent & utility assistance
- Matched savings accounts
- A place to be heard & make community connections

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